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Meet the Registrar



For those who were not able to attend the Indiana Vital Records Association Spring Conferences meet Corey A. Ealy Sr., MSM. Corey became the Indiana State Department of Health's (ISDH) State Registrar and Director of Vital Records on March 12, 2007.

Prior to becoming the State Registrar, Corey served as the ISDH's Safety and Facility Manager, an executive position, also serving as a consultant of safety and facility matters to the ISDH's Special Institutions and as the ISDH's Vital Records Support Manager. In these roles, Corey worked to secure and support the agency's staff, functions and facilities to assist with serving the public and maintaining a safe and productive working environment.

Corey is a U.S. Army veteran and received a BS in Business Management and Human Resource Management in 2002 from Indiana University at Indianapolis and a MS in Management in 2005 from Indiana Wesleyan University.

Corey has been married to his wife Sheri since 1989 and has a son, Corey Jr. Corey enjoys lifting weights and jogging five times a week and competitive sports. He enjoys reading faith related, business and education books and lives life by the five "F's" – faith, family, friends, fellowship and fun.

Paternity Affidavits & Emancipation

FYI – according to the most recent version of the State Registrar's Manual (p.7-1 & 17-2) regarding Emancipation it states, "For purposes of filing a paternity affidavit, the age of emancipation is 18 years. After that age, legal counsel should be consulted. By law, the paternity affidavit establishes the paternity of the child." However, upon further review and subsequent challenge we are revising our business practice to allow paternity affidavits to be established up to the age of 21 years. Indiana Code 16-37-2-2.1(c)(2) allows a paternity affidavit to be completed any time before the child has reached the age of emancipation. Indiana Code 31-16-6-6 establishes the age of emancipation as 21 years. Given that, it is our stance at the state level that emancipation for establishing paternity by affidavit be 21 years of age.

What is Indiana Death Registration System (IDRS)?

Indiana Death Registration System has many features that will increase the

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also put us in a position to conform to the Real ID Act and the Intelligence Reform bill.

- IDRS is a user friendly online death registration system that only requires Internet access.
- The system corresponds to the new Certificate of Death implemented on January 1, 2006.
- Anyone involved in completion of a Certificate of Death can participate, even if other parties do not.
- Users may start and complete their portions of the Certificate of Death without having to wait for the other parties to complete their portions.
- Licensed funeral directors, physicians, coroners, medical examiners, and local registrars may electronically sign, certify, or verify the Certificate of Death.
- An automatic request for Social Security Number verification is initiated to check if the correct SSN number is on the record, eliminating SSN-related amendments.
- The physician, coroner and medical examiner are notified electronically to complete their section of the Certificate of Death.
- Medical amendments can be completed online.
- Demographic amendments can be completed online.
- Amendments can be made to death records using the Back Office Module.
- Facilitates birth and death match.

IDRS Time Lines:

1. January 2008: Install Back Office module at Local Health Departments (LDH). LHD's have capability to enter the complete record and verify SSN with the Social Security Administration. We are currently looking into compensating LHD's for Social Security Number verification and General death Data entry.
2. October 2008: Install Front End Module at Funeral Homes and Coroners offices.
3. October 2008 Forward: Work to get physicians on line.

Vital Records Information Technology Report 4/27/2007

January 1, 2007 began a new era in Vital Records in Indiana with the rollout of the Indiana Birth Registration System (IBRS) module. Today, all birthing hospitals and birthing center in the state register live births electronically using the system developed by the Genesis Corporation in coordination with Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) staff and members of the Indiana Vital Records Association (IVRA). The System was developed with input from vital records staff, hospital staff, county health department Registrars and staff, etc. With their support the Information Office of Technology, the IBRS is operational in all of the county vital records offices in the state. This system is also operational in all birthing hospitals and birthing centers in the state.

All births beginning January 1, 2007 have been registered in the IBRS. Legacy records from 1978 to present are also registered. The system's design and flexibility allows for counties to use the IBRS in various capacities to meet their business needs. The IBRS has been very stable and has only had one down time attribute for about ten minutes due to a server reboot by IOT.

Please be advised that all changes and updates in the future will be posted via "Global Messaging" in the IBRS, which pops up after you login. View the message and then click ok to move on.

We have received many e-mails and phone calls from the Local Health Departments, hospitals and ISDH that are very pleased and have been praising the IBRS. A few of the users wish that some of the features could have been designed differently. Work continues on refining the system, solving problems and developing the Fee and Issuance Module, the Fetal Death module and the Electronic Death Registration System (EDRS) module.

Mary K's Traveling Road Show

Do you need help with home births? Corrections driving you crazy? Need a refresher course with IBRS? For these and other questions, call Mary Keltner at 317.233.7515 or email her at mkeltner@isdh.in.gov.